

as much as we can for vaccinations and helping people get back into school. I am willing to help people who are struggling out there, but you shouldn't be giving a \$1,400 check to people who make \$200,000 as a couple. They changed that. They have taken the Silicon Valley railway out. They have also taken the bridge out because they had to, not because they wanted to.

We are going to have a lot of amendments to show what we would do with your money versus what they would do with your money. We are going to have a lot of amendments that would show what we would do with COVID and how to fight COVID versus what they would do with COVID. That is what democracy is all about—working together when you can and showing differences when you must.

There are going to be a lot of differences in this debate, and I think this will not be the last time you hear about this bill. I think this bill is going to resonate for months and years to come in all of the wrong ways.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021—MOTION TO PROCEED

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, in a moment, I will move to proceed to the Senate's substitute amendment to the American Rescue Plan. This legislation will keep America's families, businesses, and workers afloat and hasten the day when our country can return to normal and our economy can come roaring back.

The United States is facing a once-in-a-century crisis that has sapped millions of jobs from our economy, left millions of Americans struggling to make ends meet, and stolen more than half a million American lives. The time is now to move forward with big, bold, strong relief for the American people; to send checks as promised to American workers and families; to help reopen schools as quickly and safely as possible; to help the hardest hit small businesses hang on; to help families stay in their homes, care for their children, and put food on the table; to keep firefighters, teachers, and busdrivers on the job; and to crush the virus with testing and vaccines once and for all.

We are not going to repeat the mistakes of the past. We are not going to be timid in the face of a great challenge. We are not going to delay when urgent action is called for. We are not going to quit before the race is won. We are going to sprint through the finish line.

It is time to move forward with this legislation, which will be one of the

largest single anti-poverty bills in recent history. It is time to lift this country out of crisis and set it on a path to a strong and swift recovery. It is time to tell the American people that help is on the way.

MOTION TO PROCEED

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I move to proceed to Calendar No. 10, H.R. 1319.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

Motion to proceed to Calendar No. 10, H.R. 1319, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 5.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 50, nays 50, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 73 Leg.]

YEAS—50

Baldwin	Hickenlooper	Reed
Bennet	Hirono	Rosen
Blumenthal	Kaine	Sanders
Booker	Kelly	Schatz
Brown	King	Schumer
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Shaheen
Cardin	Leahy	Sinema
Carper	Lujan	Smith
Casey	Manchin	Stabenow
Coons	Markey	Tester
Cortez Masto	Menendez	Van Hollen
Duckworth	Merkley	Warner
Durbin	Murphy	Warnock
Feinstein	Murray	Warren
Gillibrand	Ossoff	Whitehouse
Hassan	Padilla	Wyden
Heinrich	Peters	

NAYS—50

Barrasso	Graham	Portman
Blackburn	Grassley	Risch
Blunt	Hagerty	Romney
Boozman	Hawley	Rounds
Braun	Hoeven	Rubio
Burr	Hyde-Smith	Sasse
Capito	Inhofe	Scott (FL)
Cassidy	Johnson	Scott (SC)
Collins	Kennedy	Shelby
Cornyn	Lankford	Sullivan
Cotton	Lee	Thune
Cramer	Lummis	Tillis
Crapo	Marshall	Toomey
Cruz	McConnell	Tuberville
Daines	Moran	Wicker
Ernst	Murkowski	Young
Fischer	Paul	

The VICE PRESIDENT. On this vote the yeas are 50, the nays are 50.

The Senate being equally divided, the Vice President votes in the affirmative, and the motion to proceed is agreed to.

The motion was agreed to.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1319) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 5.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The majority leader.

AMENDMENT NO. 891

(Purpose: To improve the bill)

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I have an amendment at the desk, and I ask for its immediate consideration.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will report the amendment.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER], for himself and others, proposes an amendment numbered 891.

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent to dispense with the reading.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Is there an objection?

Mr. JOHNSON. Madam President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Senator from Wisconsin.

Mr. JOHNSON. Reserving the right to object. One thing that—

Mr. SCHUMER. Regular order, Madam President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Is there an objection?

Mr. JOHNSON. I object.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The objection is heard.

The clerk will continue the reading.

(Ms. CORTEZ MASTO assumed the Chair.)

The legislative clerk read as follows:

Strike all after the first word and insert the following:

TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "American Rescue Plan Act of 2021"

SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title.
- Sec. 2. Table of contents.

TITLE I—COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Subtitle A—Agriculture

- Sec. 1001. Food supply chain and agriculture pandemic response.
- Sec. 1002. Emergency rural development grants for rural health care.
- Sec. 1003. Pandemic program administration funds.
- Sec. 1004. Funding for the USDA Office of Inspector General for oversight of COVID-19-related programs.
- Sec. 1005. Farm loan assistance for socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers.
- Sec. 1006. USDA assistance and support for socially disadvantaged farmers, ranchers, forest land owners and operators, and groups.
- Sec. 1007. Use of the Commodity Credit Corporation for commodities and associated expenses.

Subtitle B—Nutrition

- Sec. 1101. Supplemental nutrition assistance program.
- Sec. 1102. Additional assistance for SNAP online purchasing and technology improvements.
- Sec. 1103. Additional funding for nutrition assistance programs.
- Sec. 1104. Commodity supplemental food program.
- Sec. 1105. Improvements to WIC benefits.
- Sec. 1106. WIC program modernization.
- Sec. 1107. Meals and supplements reimbursements for individuals who have not attained the age of 25.
- Sec. 1108. Pandemic EBT program.